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SUNDAY SCHOOL Lesson

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DYNAMIC CHRISTIAN LIVING

LESSON TEXT—Romans 12:1-3, 9-21.
GOLDEN TEXT—Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.—Romans 12:21.

"Dynamic—there is a word with an attraction for both young and old. It speaks of power, but not just brute force. There is personality with its winsomeness, challenge, accomplishment, all around attractiveness and usefulness as the essential element of this kind of power."

It may surprise some of us to hear that this is the kind of life every Christian may, and ought, to live, by the grace of God. Not that each one will have the gifts of leadership, or the personal qualifications which mark some for places of public service, but that each may have divine power working in and through his life.

Such a life can be lived only as God's power is able to flow through a surrendered life. This must begin in the individual, and in the depth of his own heart. Then it will appear in his relationship to his brethren in the church, and ultimately in his life in the world.

I. In the Heart (vv. 1-3).

It is only the believer who is ready to serve God. The unregenerate man needs cleansing, not consecration. Having that, he is ready for the transforming work of God which will bring him out into a place of freedom and spiritual strength. Notice that this is brought about by an act of the will. We are to present ourselves as a living sacrifice. That is our part, God will respond in blessing.

Conformity to this world (v. 2) is the blight on the church and on the individual believer which so hampers the work of Christ in the world today. The worldly Christian is an anomaly.

The call then is for non-conformity to the world and surrender to the transforming grace of God. Then there will be both true humility (v. 3) and full confidence in God's power.

II. In the Church (vv. 9-16).

The dynamic living of the Christian is not something to be paraded before the world, a thing of which we may be proud. It begins, as we have seen, in the heart, and then gives itself in gracious, affectionate, earnest living within other believers.

Here we note that being dynamic does not mean only being a "live wire." It may express itself in quietness which is graciously powerful; in goodness which overcomes evil; in love which weeps with the sorrowing; or in humility which is willing to touch the lowly.

These verses are full to overflowing with the kind of instruction which, if heeded, would make the fellowship of the church well nigh heavenly. For example, "in honor preferring one another" would put an end to church "fights"—blessed thought! If all were "fervent in spirit, serving the Lord" there would be no problem about getting the work of the church and Sunday school done, and done well.

If Christians were "patient in tribulation," would continue "instant in prayer," and rejoice "in hope," we would at once be free from complainers, and weak or unhappy church members.

We could go on, but the teaching of the Word is so plain that what we need to do is to practice it.

III. In the World (vv. 17-21).

"Take thought," that is, plan to have "things honest in the sight of all men." Bishop Moule's comment is particularly acute. He says the Christian "is to be nobly indifferent to the world's thought and word when he is sure that God and the world antagonize. But he is to be seriously attentive to the world's observation, were the world more or less acquainted with the Christian precept or principle, and more or less conscious of its truth and right, is watching, maliciously, or it may be wistfully, to see if it governs the Christian practice."

How then does the Christian behave toward the world? He does not return evil for evil. How often Christians have failed at that point, becoming involved in a "blow for blow" conflict with some worldly man or institution. How much better to "live peaceably with all men" as far as it is possible to do so.

The Christian is not to seek revenge. The injustice suffered may be confidently left in the hand of God. He will make it right in due season and in His own way. He will judge righteously, where we might be prejudiced. We might be too severe: He will be fair. The way to deal with such situations is by the "coals of fire" method (v. 20). It really works. We ought to use it more frequently.

Verse 21 sums up the whole matter. Instead of letting the evil of this world get the best of him, the Christian will "overcome evil with good." It seems just now that such a plan does not work, that evil has taken the upper hand, but let us wait a bit. The final accounting has not yet been made.

THE STORY OF THE CHRISTMAS SEAL

The Christmas seal was used as a means of raising money for hospitals as far back as the War Between the States. We owe the idea to Einer Holboell of Denmark, who, in 1903, interested his government in the sale of a stamp at Christmas to realize money for a hospital for tubercular children.

A stamp from this country was placed on a letter to Jacob Riis in America, who gave publicity to the idea in the Outlook magazine. A reader of the article, Miss Bissell, of Wilmington, Delaware, adopted the plan and as a result realized $3,000 for local hospital work. From then on, the seal has made its appearance regularly at Christmas. It bears the emblem of the Tuberculosis Association, a double-barred cross.

The 1942 seal was designed by Dale Nichols, an outstanding American artist. It features a red barn with a white farmhouse in the background of a snowy country scene. A drift-lined road and an old-fashioned sleigh drawn by two horses are in the foreground. Nichols lived on a farm twenty years and when he began painting, he turned naturally to farms and barns because they symbolize the life of the American farmer.

Early diagnosis, early care, and early recovery represent the real ammunition against tuberculosis. In this attack, the Christmas seal plays an important part. Because of it, the Virginia Tuberculosis Association, through its local organization, is doing its share in educating men, women and children in the essential defensive facts regarding tuberculosis.

Mary Ann Wheeler
Ethel Lee Martin
Appomattox High School.

Red Cross Asks For Kits For Soldiers

A kit bag is needed for every fighting man when he leaves the shores of this country, Mrs. C. T. Moses, production chairman of the Appomattox County Chapter of the American Red Cross said today in announcing the acceptance of 115 to be made here.

"The Army and Navy wants him to have one kit every man, woman and child in this community wants to see that it gets one. This project which has formerly been handled on a year-around basis has become an emergency," she declared.

Between 300 and 400 chapters have been working on these bags for the past two months but their output is not enough now. Thousands more have been requested by the War Department. That is why definite quotas have been worked out for every chapter in the country.

"The quota for Appomattox County should be finished by January 31, 1943," Mrs. Moses said.

It costs only $1 to fill one bag. There is a standard list of articles furnished by the War Department, which every bag must contain.

Eleven inches wide by fourteen inches deep, these finished bags of olive drab twill hold: small soap box and soap, deck of playing cards, package of cigarettes or smoking tobacco and cigarette papers, shoe polishing cloth, small pencil with cap, package of envelopes and paper, package of chewing gum, pair of tan shoelaces, waterproof match box, package of double-edge blades, detective or humorous small book, sewing case or "housewife."

The articles for these kit bags may be ordered in wholesale quantities by Red Cross Chapters and made available to any group or individual wishing to fill them. That is why the approximate cost is only $1 a bag. All material and tape is furnished by the Red Cross.

The Junior Red Cross girls of Appomattox high school and Pamplin high school are making these bags. If you would like to contribute $1 for filling a bag send the money to Mrs. Mary G. Holland, Appomattox high school Junior Red Cross sponsor.

Contributions already received for Kit Bags:

Women's Society of Christian Service,	$3.32
Business Womens Circle,	4.00
Miss Kate Franklin,	1.00
C. S. McDearmon,	1.00
R Ass (G F Abbitt Jr.)	1.00
Liberty Sunday School,	10.00
Collected in school library,	1.00
Elementary grades A.H.S.,	8.30
Epcat Spring Youth Fellowship,	1.00
Presbyterian Sunday School,	5.00
U. D. C.	5.00
Woman's Missionary Society	6.00
Minute Men,	5.60
P. -T. A. of Appomattox High School,	5.00
Total	$59.32

Set heavy farm production goals for 1943.

Fishermen missing off the Florida coast.

U. S. Subs are active in Japanese waters.

Piedmont baseball league may be reformed for next season.

B and C gasoline stamps changed now from 4 to 3 gallons.

Congressman Woodrum urges an early end to government experiments.

Phone 30 with Personals.

A'tend church regularly.

Subscription rate: $1.50 a year, payable in advance.

British forces become active in Burma.

Rommel retreats toward Tunisia.

Heavy snows in North Russia.

Mails have been unusually heavy this Christmas.

Some reports say Jap air pilots now not so good as those during first year of war.

Leon Henderson resigns.

Appomattox now has a newer fire engine.

During the first eight months of 1942 it is reported by the National War Labor Board that 287,206 war production workmen went out on 1,021 strikes.

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ISN'T HE WORTH IT?

THIS message is written to you mothers—from your government.

It concerns the most precious thing in all the world to you—your child.

It asks you to help protect that child—from fear, from starvation, from death—the fate that has befallen millions of children under the rule of Nazi and Jap tyrants.

It asks you to urge your husband to join the Payroll Savings Plan—the easy way to buy War Bonds that will furnish the ships and guns and tanks and planes so desperately needed to guard you and yours from the horrors of defeat.

Or, if your husband is already buying War Bonds through the Payroll Savings Plan—it asks you to urge him to buy more, to increase his savings to *at least ten per cent* of his salary or wages.

Remember. Millions of your brothers, husbands, sons, friends are risking everything. You are asked to *risk* nothing. War Bonds are the World's Safest Investment.

As you buy them through the Payroll Savings Plan—today, you are doing *your* part to help protect *your* child *today!* And at the same time setting up a savings fund to help bring up, educate, and develop that child—tomorrow.

Talk it over with your husband tonight. And resolve to put at least *ten* per cent—not 6%, or 7%, or 8%—into War Bonds through the Payroll Savings Plan. Do it for that child of yours. Isn't he worth it?

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WHAT YOU SHOULD DO

If you are . . .

1. Already setting aside 10% of your pay in War Bonds through the Payroll Savings Plan—boost that 10% if you can.
2. Working in a plant where the Plan is installed, but haven't signed up yet—sign up tomorrow.
3. Working in a plant where the Payroll Savings Plan hasn't been installed, talk to your union head, foreman or plant manager—and see if it can't be installed right away. The local bank will be glad to help.
4. Unable to get in on the Payroll Savings Plan for any reason, go to your local bank or wherever bonds are sold. They will be glad to help you start a Plan of your own.

"TOP THAT 10% BY NEW YEAR'S!"

BUY U. S. WAR BONDS THROUGH THE PAYROLL SAVINGS PLAN

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There are 918 daily awards. A big $1,000.00 First Major Award. Other big major awards—and *all* of them *in addition* to TOP market prices Sears-Roebuck gets you for your furs. All awards are for careful pelt handling—kind or value of fur doesn't count. Win your share of these extra fur dollars! Every pelt you ship to Sears-Roebuck during the Fur Show period is automatically entered, so don't delay.

Ship your furs as soon as they're ready to SEARS-ROEBUCK, Raw Fur Marketing Service, Philadelphia.

J. C. Hudgins
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Appomattox, Va.
Service within the means of all
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NEVER IN OUR LIVES HAVE WE SEEN SUCH TURMOIL

The world is full of sorrow when the spirit of peace and goodwill should prevail.

Let us all face the future with determination to make the needed sacrifices and meet the shortages gladly for the sake of our homes and the boys who have gone out to meet the hardships of war for our sakes.

One thing we can all do is Buy Bonds. It may be only a small one but it gives you a part in the support of our boys.

MANY THINGS YOU MAY WANT WE MAY NOT BE ABLE TO SUPPLY YOU, BUT YOU CAN EXPECT US TO DO OUR BEST POSSIBLE TO SERVE YOU AS WE HAVE FOR THE PAST THIRTY-THREE YEARS

Appomattox Hardware Co., Inc.

There is no greater joy than the warmth of an American Christmas! We wish for You that joy, and a Happy and Prosperous 1943

J. C. Hudgins

At this Christmas tide may we all rededicate ourselves to a greater service to our community and Country. Best wishes for a prosperous 1943!

J. A. Burke & Co.

At this Festive season may we express our appreciation for your patronage, and wish you a Merry, Merry Christmas

Max Wheeler's Service Station
SpoutSpring, Va.

I want you to know that I appreciate your business and shall strive to merit your patronage during the New Year

H. O. Blackard Shoe Shop

Your Friendship has made 1942 a successful year for us. We take this means of saying "Thanks" and a Merry Christmas.

Sanitary Barber Shop
G. B. Buchanan, prop.

BOWLING ALLEY
OPEN EVERY DAY AND NIGHT DURING THE HOLIDAYS

High scores last week:
For men—J. H. Lucado 152
Clarence Poe, 141
Robert Lea, 141
Maynard Gilbert, 135
Jimmy Dickerson, 134
For ladies—Rosetta Stanley 103
Nellie Owens, 101
Martha Martin, 101.

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We have between 75,000 & 100,000 Tobacco Sticks Will sell cheap

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TO MY FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS IN BUCKINGHAM AND APPOMATTOX COUNTIES

I wish to thank you for your cooperation and patronage during the time I have been connected with the J. R. Watkins Company. I have enlisted the service of the United States Army and am now in training. Those who owe me will greatly oblige me if they will send payment addressed to

ROY E. GOWIN,
1402 McKINNEY AVENUE,
LYNCHBURG, VA.

I hope to see all of you when furloughs secure and wish each of you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

ROY E. GOWIN

FATHER — MOTHER

This year give your son or daughter a practical lif time gift.

A secretarial course will lead quickly to a position paying $80 to $135 a month.

Let this gift serve as a lifetime reminder of your wisdom and foresight

MID-WINTER TERM OPENS JANUARY 4.

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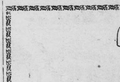

Season's Greetings

GREETINGS! May all the joys of a Glorious Christmas and a Happy New Year be yours!

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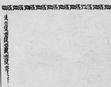

SAME OLD WISH, ALWAYS NEW,
A MERRY, MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU!

J. T. Irby, Shoe Shop

IN SPITE OF WAR CONDITIONS, WE HAVE MUCH TO BE THANKFUL FOR, BUT NOTHING MORE VALUED THAN YOUR FRIENDSHIP AND GOOD WILL. WE EXTEND OUR SEASON'S GREETINGS.

C. S. JENKINS

To my Friends in Appomattox, Buckingham, Charlotte and Cumberland Counties, I wish a very MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.

Chas. T. Moses

A MERRY CHRISTMAS! May we flash this message of Good Cheer to all. We deeply appreciate your Friendship and loyalty. May God's richest blessings be with Our Country and You.

The Bank of Appomattox

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Altavista Nurseries,
Altavista, Va.
12-24-1tp

LOST: Saturday, December 19th a small ladies Elgin wrist watch, in Appomattox; with link band. Finder please return and receive a reward.
Gladys Morgan,
Route 3, Box 98,
Appomattox, Va.

PUBLIC SALE OF VALUABLE TRACT OF IMPROVED LAND WITH GOOD BUILDINGS

Pursuant to the authority vested in me by virtue of a certain deed of trust dated the 14th day of December, 1939, signed by Charles W. Smith and Cecelia Smith, husband and wife and of record in the clerk's office of Appomattox County, Virginia, in deed book Number 39 at page 15, in which deed the said parties conveyed the hereinafter property unto me, George Abbitt, Jr., trustee, on the terms and conditions therein set out and having been requested by the holder of the notes therein secured to sell the said land, I will offer for sale to the highest bidder at 10 o'clock A. M. on

SATURDAY
JANUARY 19th, 1943
IN FRONT OF THE COURT HOUSE OF APPOMATTOX

COUNTY, all of the following described real estate:

All of that certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in Stonewall district of Appomattox County, Virginia, about one and one-half miles North-East of Oakville Post Office, Virginia, lying on both sides of the Oakville—Wreck Island Creek Road, and adjoining the lands of Brandy N. Coleman, R. J. Colman, T. E. Owen and others, containing 259.95 acres and being the same tract of land that was conveyed to the said Charles W. Smith and Cecelia Smith by deed dated the 14th day of October, 1939, from the children and heirs of Stephen Wooldridge, said Deed is to be recorded just ahead of this deed in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Appomattox County, Virginia, and a plat of survey made by W. A. Moses, Sur., dated on the 24th day of August, 1939, is recorded along with said deed, reference to both Deed and plat is hereby made for a better description of said land.

PLACE OF SALE: Front of Appomattox Court House

TIME: January 19th, 1943, at 10 A. M.
TERMS: CASH
GEORGE ABBITT, JR.
Trustee
(12-17-4tc)

Lee Theatre Appomattox

Fri., Dec. 25- Wallace Beery in JACKASS MAIL

Sat. Dec. 26-Don "Red" Barry in CYCLONE KIDD. Also The World At War and The Stogies in "An Ache in Every Stake"

Monday, Tues., Dec. 28-29
Betty Grable—John Payne in FOOTLIGHT SERENADE

Wed., Thurs. Dec. 30-31
THE PIED PIPER

NOTICE

The undersigned has qualified as Administrator, c. t. a., of the estate of Ida W Jones, deceased. Any creditors please file claim with proof thereof and all debtors please prepare to settle.

Mosby G Perrow, Jr.,
Administrator, c. t. a., estate of Ida W. Jones, deceased
Lynchburg, Virginia

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Set heavy farm production goals for 1943.

Fishermen missing off the Florida coast.

U. S. Subs are active in Japanese waters.

Piedmont baseball league may be reformed for next season.

B and C gasoline stamps changed now from 4 to 3 gallons.

...spending and ...Top that Ten Per... U. S. Treasury Department

...force is up ... it is estimated.

...parents, has returned to Flora, Miss., where the marriage will take place soon.

...the national parks yielded 6,477,855 pounds of scrap metal in 1942, enough to fill more than 323 freight cars.